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To:	USSW Area Seventies and Stake Presidents
From:	USSW Area Presidency
Subject:	Senior Service Missionary Couples – Non-English Initiative
Date:	June 26, 2025

Purpose of the Initiative

The USSW Area Presidency launched the Latino and non-English Speaking Communities Initiative to better support non-English-speaking members, especially Spanish speakers. Goals include:

- Language-specific sacrament meetings and translations.
- English learning support.
- Leadership development.
- Increased participation in church activities, temple ordinances, and missionary preparation.

Role of Senior Service Missionary Couples

- Bilingual married couples are called to help implement this initiative.
- Responsibilities include training leaders, promoting participation, mentoring, and improving English skills.
- Such Senior Missionary Couples will serve at either the Stake or Coordinating Council level.

Training and Support

Two Area Senior Missionary Couples ("Area Training Couples") lead training, implementation and support:

- **Elder & Sister Burrola** rgburrola@cox.net
- **Elder & Sister Davidson** ross.davidson.jr@gmail.com

These Area Senior Missionary Couples train and assist the nominated stake or council missionary couples based on their specific Coordinating Council assignments.

Recommendation Process

1. **Identify Candidate Couples**: Stake President and Area Seventy must first recommend the couple to the Burrolas or Davidsons, including the Stake or Coordinating Council(s) they will support.
2. **Initial Interview**: The Area Training Couples will interview the candidates to confirm the candidates' understanding what the calling will entail and the availability and readiness of the candidates.
3. **Missionary Recommendation Instructions**: Instructions will be provided by the Area Training Couples to begin the process of a missionary recommendation.
4. **Support:** Help is available from Elder Layne and Sister Sharon Rushforth - Service Mission Office Support Advisers. SMC-NASW-**SA@churchofjesuschrist.org**